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Fire hazard:

**Careless
burning keeps
firefighters
very busy**

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Rules are often written for a reason, and the reasons why people shouldn't burn during the day, especially in early spring, became amply evident over the Easter weekend.

Volunteer firefighters from across the county and Ministry of Natural Resources fire crews were called out to several fires, all of which occurred when people broke the rule about not burning during day. Tinder-dry brush and leaves combined with unencumbered winds threatened to destroy fields, forests and even a few houses.

"It's just a matter of carelessness," says Ron MacKenzie, a mutual services technician at the MNR's fire base in Haliburton. "If people are planning to burn, a little common sense goes a long way."

The worst fire was Saturday near Furnace Falls, when a fire started by a landowner to burn brush got out of control and spread out over 20 acres.

If the wind had changed direction, Minden deputy-chief Craig Crowe said the Duhaime house on County Road 1 south of Gelert could easily have been destroyed by a run-away fire on Sunday afternoon.

"We were all nervous for a few minutes," Crowe says. "A shed almost caught on fire and if the wind had gone the opposite way, they could have lost their house, too."

Instead, as firefighters from Minden, Dysart and the MNR struggled to contain the fire

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EGG HUNT: Kuran Devolin peeks into a sap bucket in search of Easter eggs Saturday as his mother, Laurie, brings his sister, Lauren, in to join the hunt at Tom and Diane Dawson's sugarbush,

Wintergreen Maple Syrup and Pancake Barn. Last weekend's beautiful weather drew many out to area sugarbushes to take part in MapleFest activities. See more pictures on page 15.

Sap production suffers from El Nino effect

by JESSICA SCHEFFEE
Student Reporter

El Niño has struck again! This time it's the maple syrup industry that's been hit. Sap production has not been good this year.

"It's worse than last year, which was a poor year, too," said Louise Berry of Iron Kettle Maple Products.

Berry said that because of the wacky weather, the buds have come out early and as a result, April 8 was her last day of gathering sap.

In a normal year, Berry has boiled into the middle of April and says the season hasn't ended this early since the early '80s.

The sugar content of the sap is also very low this year. Berry's sap has a two per cent sugar content, which means she will have to boil 40 to 60 litres of sap to get one litre of sugar. Usually the sugar content is

around four per cent, and boiling 20 litres will give one litre of sugar.

"For me, it's hardly worth making, it costs too much," said Berry.

Regular customers of the Iron Kettle - Birch Point Lodge, Extendicare and St. George's Anglican Church (for their pancake Tuesday) - will still be able to purchase their syrup. The only difference will be the size

of the bottles, which on average will be smaller.

At Waverley Brook Farm, they're experiencing the same difficulties, but it's no surprise to Jean Schlickin Tyler, who with her husband Godfrey Tyler, does syrup production every year.

"Some years are good and some years are not so good," she says.

Sap farmers expect one out of

every 10 years to be a great year, so this year's poor production was pretty much expected.

"We keep going, still hopeful about it," Schlickin Tyler laughs.

This year, Waverley Brook Farm is down to 50 per cent of the usual harvest. The storms and weather have cut the crop.

"It's part of what farming is all about, and making syrup is farming," Schlickin Tyler says.

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Stanhope airport may become helicopter base

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

As Ontario's forest fire season begins to heat up, the Ministry of Natural Resources is trying to negotiate a deal with Stanhope to use its municipal airport as a helicopter base.

The helicopters and their crews would be used in the "ini-

tial attack" on forest fires across this fire region, which stretches from the Ottawa River to the Bruce Peninsula and from Georgian Bay to within 30 kilometres of Lake Ontario.

During the forest fire season - which can last from early spring until the end of summer - crews on first attack have typically flown from the MNR's

Haliburton fire base on Head Lake.

But Ministry officials no longer feel the helicopter pad at the site is sufficient for that purpose, said senior fire officer Ed Cyr.

Helicopters on initial attack are fully loaded with fuel, fire

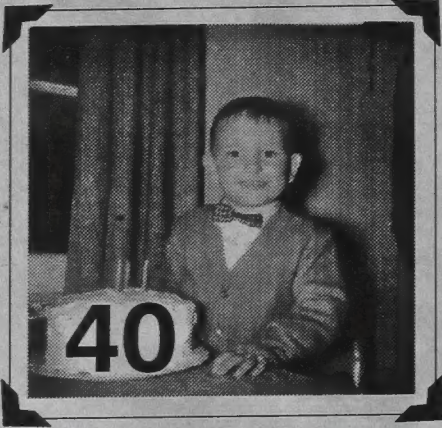
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Dogs chase down, kill deer

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News about people and events in Haliburton County

by JESSICA SCHEFFEE
Student Reporter

Three dogs chased down a one-year-old deer and proceeded to kill it and eat it at the bottom of a ski hill at Sir Sam's on Saturday, April 11.

"The dogs are gone, there's nothing left but a little fur," said Bob Bishop of Eagle Lake.

Bishop called the Ministry of Natural Resources to deal with the dogs after he spotted the remains of the deer.

"All I saw was three dogs feasting on a fawn," he said.

It's at times like this when people realize that there is a good reason for the by-law that keeps dogs tied-up or kept in their owners' yards.

On Wed., April 15, the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association will host a review of the Lands for Life proposals and discuss their implications for Haliburton County. Scott Dingwall of the Ministry of Natural Resources will be on hand to try to answer questions. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. at the Dysart Community Centre. Meanwhile, the HHOA is planning an open house for its fish hatchery near Haliburton for May 3.

Join the fun on Tues., April 21 as Family Services of Haliburton County hosts an open house at the new Minden office on the main street beneath Of Sound Body. The open house runs from noon to 5 p.m..

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THE REASON BEHIND GOOD FRIDAY:

The Haliburton Ministerial Association welcomed people to join them on a Cross Walk along Head Lake on Good Friday to mark the significance of the holiday weekend. A short service was held at a local church afterwards.



Winter is officially gone!

Ice goes off Head Lake two weeks ahead of last year's date

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

As one of the regular walkers along Head Lake's boardwalk, Ev Stata is finely attuned to the lake's every whim and fancy. Sometimes she's even written poetry about what she sees and hears and shares it with the Echo's readers.

Well, Mrs. Stata has put her knowledge to good use because she came the closest to guessing when the ice would melt from Head Lake.

Our official lake watcher, Harold Bannon, spent the Easter weekend monitoring the disappearance of the last sheen of winter from the surface of the lake in Haliburton village.

With Sunday's balmy temperatures, he didn't think there'd be any ice left, but the cold nights ensured there was still some of winter floating in the north bay.

By Monday morning, however, when he went to check at 6:45 a.m., he couldn't find any vestiges of ice, and so he declared winter was over at that time.

There were three people who guessed that the ice would go out on April 13: Mrs. Stata at 1:30 p.m., Diane Parish at 3:43 p.m., and Randy Barnum at 4 p.m.. Since Mrs. Stata's time was the closest, she wins the Echo subscription and t-shirt.

Last year the ice went out on April 29.

The Echo would like to thank Mr. Bannon for his diligence as our official ice watcher for the past five years. Now 84 and suffering from arthritis, he thinks this will be his last year on the job. From now on, he'll just watch the ice melt from his home overlooking the lake and be glad someone else is making the early morning prowling.



A LUCKY GUESS:

Ev Stata of Parklane Apartments was one of three people who correctly guessed that the ice would go off Head Lake on April 13. However, her time of 1:30 p.m. was the closest to Harold Bannon's official time of 6:45 a.m.. As part of The Echo's annual celebration of winter's end, Mrs. Stata wins a free Echo subscription and t-shirt.

GLAMORGAN VACANCY FILLED

Newcomer Bob Winder chosen as councillor

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Glamorgan council has chosen Bob Winder as its new member.

Winder will replace Craig Pettit, who resigned last month after winning one of the three councillors positions in November's municipal elections.

Even though he's never held elected office in Glamorgan, Winder is well aware of the

issues facing the municipality because he's been attending the meetings as a spectator for a couple of years.

"I'm looking forward to the challenges of municipal office," he said on Thursday, a day after council voted 3-1 to welcome him aboard.

Also expressing interest in the open position were former deputy-reeve Bill Challis, who lost to Chuck Viner for that

position in November; former councillor and past reeve hopeful Lorrie Saville; and Donna McCausland, who was unsuccessful in her bid to win a seat in November's election.

Councillor Brian Monaghan was the only dissenting voice, and at Wednesday's meeting, said Winder would be good at the job but Challis was getting his support because of Challis' experience on council.

Winder's family's association with Glamorgan began in 1954 when they bought a local dance-hall and the bonds grew stronger when he and his two brothers married women from the area. Bob and Sandy Winder were cottagers for many years before he retired as a lithographer several years ago. Today he works part-time as a school bus driver. This will be his first time on council.



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Spring hazard worse before buds break

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along the ground, "the wind stopped at just the right time," Crowe says. "It could have been much worse. We were lucky."

When Minden phoned Dysart to help with the Duhaime fire, which burned about three acres, Dysart's firefighters were already at a fire on Drag Lake. In fact, the Duhaime fire was their third of the day and fifth of the weekend.

"A person was burning brush and the fire got away up the hill about 500 to 600 feet," Dysart fire chief Miles Maughan says of the fire near Sandy Cove on Drag Lake. "A couple of times, people lit fires and went inside, and when they looked out the window, the fire was out of control. With the wind and how dry it is, it only takes a small spark and it spreads quickly. It's terrible."

MacKenzie says the two weeks between the time when the snow melts and the buds break on the trees are the worst for fire hazards.

"Until the buds break and green up, the foliage is very dry and the wind tends to whistle through a lot faster (because there aren't any leaves on the trees to slow it down)," he says.

Even though spring flooding has kept the water table a little bit above normal, moistening the soil beneath the surface, surface conditions are still extremely dry. If there is no rain early this week, the MNR and municipalities may disallow any burning of brush.

So what are the rules?

Well, as reported last year, people no longer require a permit to burn outside, but that doesn't mean they can do whatever they want.

You are not allowed to burn in the period from two

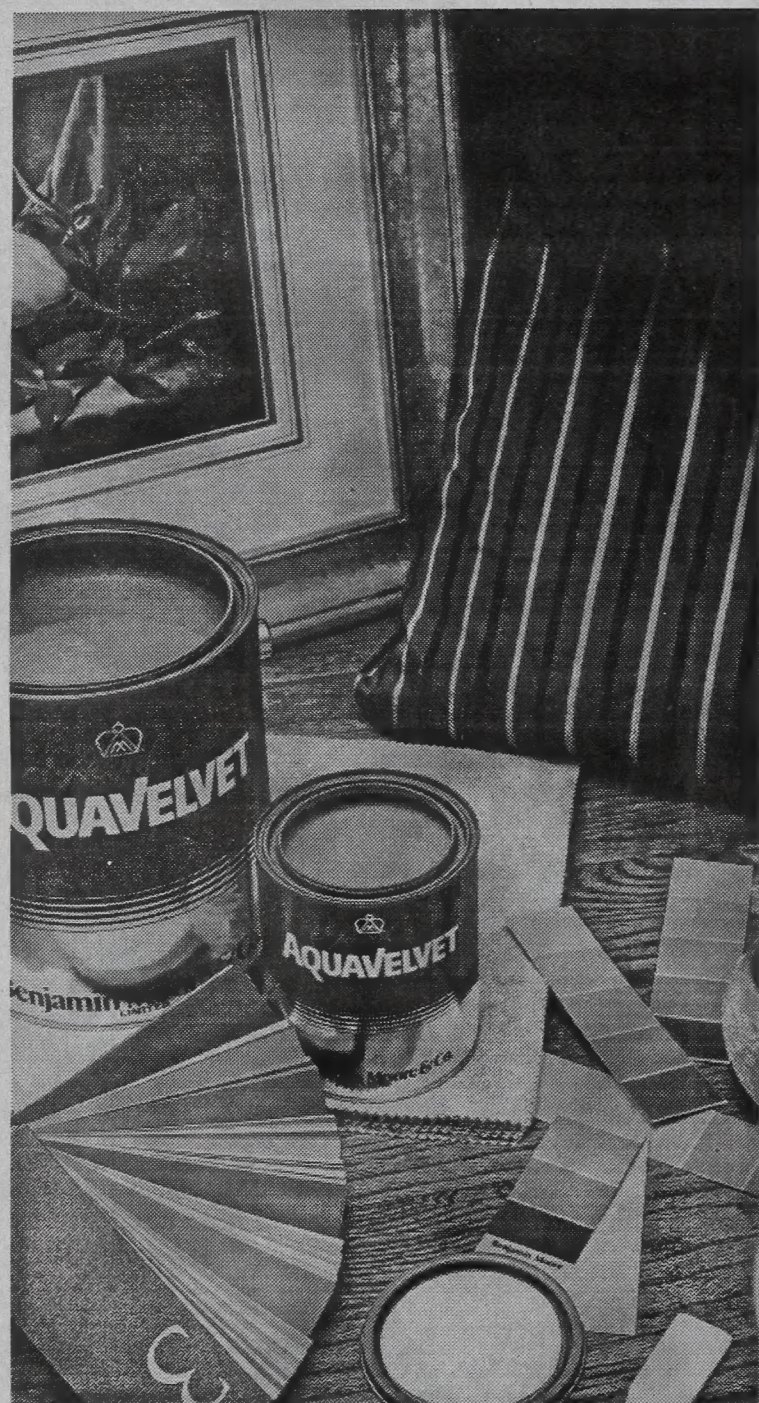
hours after sunrise to two hours before sunset. The pile of leaves or brush cannot be bigger than two metres in diameter and people must stay on hand with water and other tools to be able to put out the fire should it get out of control.

In this year of transition between the old rules and the new ones, municipalities must pass their own by-laws setting out the restrictions and what can be done if someone breaks the rules. When this occurs, municipalities can ask the MNR to lay charges against people who burn during the day, whether the fire is under control or not.

"Anyone who does burn during the day should be charged," says Maughan, who met with council on Monday and determined a fine of \$300 per hour when the fire department has to respond.

As well, new rules allow the MNR to recoup the costs of fighting the fires. Municipalities will also have the authority to declare no-burn restrictions.

"If people are thinking about burning, phone the MNR or their fire department for advice," says MacKenzie. "We'd be more than happy to make them aware of the rules... No question is a silly question."



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Len Pizzey, OCNA President

Echo wins 4 awards

The Haliburton County Echo came home with four provincial awards following last week's Ontario Community Newspaper Association's annual convention.

The paper placed second overall in the General Excellence category for newspapers with circulations between 3,500 and 6,499. There were 28 entries in this class.

Staff reporter Peter Downs won a first-place writing award

in the Environment Ontario category for his story last summer about a Shad Valley program at Bark Lake.

Graphic artist Jamie Woodman came in second for her original advertising idea for Halhinet's back-to-school computer special.

The Echo's Fall Tour also came in second in the Special Section category for newspapers with circulations under 6,000.



Echo publisher Len Pizzey's year as president of the Ontario Community Newspapers Association concluded at the organization's annual convention in Toronto recently. Far left, the caricature, drawn by Steve Nease of the Oakville Beaver, was presented to Pizzey as a memento of his year. Above, incoming president John Thompson presents Pizzey with the four awards won by The Echo in this year's Better Newspapers Competition. At left, Pizzey hosts Ontario's Lieutenant Governor, Hilary Weston, at the Ontario Junior Citizens of the Year awards, sponsored by OCNA.

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The **Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit** requires non professional, lay visitors for the Healthy Babies Healthy Children program.

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Women's Emergency House struggles to raise funds to stay open

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

At the end of this month, the board of directors at SIRCH will have to decide whether the Women's Emergency House can afford to stay open.

It's a decision they don't want to make, and also a decision they are asking the community to help them avoid.

For the past few weeks, WEH has been soliciting the public's financial aid, because if it doesn't raise the \$100,000 it needs to operate for a year, it will have to close.

Gena Robertson, the executive director of SIRCH, says that when WEH was first envisioned as a safe haven for women and children wanting to leave abusive relationships, the plan was to have no government funding.

In 1995, SIRCH received a \$92,000 grant from the Trillium Foundation to be spent over three years "for volunteer recruitment and support to ensure (WEH's) long-term sustainability." By using volunteers, the cost of running WEH would be a fifth of that of other, staffed women's shelters. That grant runs out this year.

WEH also created the Foundation of Friends to raise money, both through individual donations and payroll deductions.

Last fall, when it realized it did not have enough funds from the community to operate WEH and its Trillium grant was running out, SIRCH applied for funding from the Ministry of Community and Social Services through its violence against women program. The funding was to be a "bridge" until such time as WEH could raise its own money to become self-sufficient.

"They were really optimistic and supportive," says Robertson, and SIRCH felt the application would be approved by the various committees. However, "we were put off in November, December and January and in February, they said they didn't have the money..."

"At that point we're going 'oh-oh.' We felt we had the rug pulled out from under us."

Given the existing funds, WEH would have been \$20,000 in the red at the end of April if nothing was done.

Robertson says that to be fair to the staff - one full-time and one part-time - and to the women who might use the house, the board did not want to keep the house open from month to month as money allowed. It decided it would either have to raise enough money for a year - with the expectation it would also have to raise money in future years if funding is still not available - or close down the

WEH.

"It's a Catch 22 situation if you're going to be fiscally responsible. If you don't have the money you should close it. On the other hand, we're open and we have a volunteer base. We don't want to slam the door."

That's why WEH is trying to raise commitments of \$100,000 by the end of April. By last week, there was approximately \$21,500 pledged or donated with a further \$5,000 to be raised by the Food for Thought dinner on May 3. It has approached the United Way, but was turned down, as well as local councils, many of which have also said there is no funding available.

SIRCH is working on projects to continuously raise money for WEH, Robertson says. SIRCH has prepared a school readiness course for pre-schoolers and hopes to sell it across Canada.

"The potential is good to generate a fair bit of money and put it back into the programs that don't have government funding," she says.

SIRCH is piloting the course in Lindsay. (Plans to initiate it through Minden CHACE fell through because not enough parents signed on to make it feasible, so the Boys and Girls Club in Lindsay agreed to be the pilot.) Once the eight-week, three-mornings-a-week course is finished in Lindsay, it will go to 10 other sites in Ontario.

Although the course will not generate excess money for



CROSSING THEIR FINGERS: WEH's co-ordinator, Sheila Whiting, and volunteer Sue Shikaze are hoping that a blitz of businesses this Wednesday will garner support for a WEH fundraising day in July.

WEH, SIRCH plans to package the course into a kit that other organizations could purchase, with SIRCH providing the training. SIRCH hopes to raise money through sales of the kits and training services. How much money? "We'll have a better idea later in the summer but I expect every community across the country will be interested in running a course. (School preparedness) is big everywhere, especially with high school in Ontario being compressed to four years. There's a fair amount

of excitement across Ontario (about the course) at this point," Robertson says.

SIRCH also hopes to be able to offer board retreats and volunteer training for a fee, with profits to be put back into charitable ventures such as WEH. It's also preparing a grief journal and pregnancy journal and keepsake which can be sold. (SIRCH will put up the money for printing the journals and after costs, proceeds can go towards WEH.)

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SIRCH trying to find ways to reduce reliance on government

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"We're trying hard to develop a facet of SIRCH that's not reliant on government funding," Robertson says, "(but) it will probably be a year down the road before we see some significant income."

On Wednesday (April 15), volunteers plan to blitz the county asking for pledges for a WEH day on July 23. For instance, grocery stores could commit to asking customers to donate their change on that day; vets could agree to donating \$1 from every animal visit on July 23. Although participants would not have to donate any money up front, they would have to make a pledge by April 30.

What if the \$100,000 isn't pledged by April 30? "(The decision) will go back to the board," she says. "We need some sort of guarantee we're not going month to month."

Sheila Whiting, the co-ordinator of WEH, says usage has increased 50% this year. Since it opened two years, the house has been used for one-third of the time, or 850 bed nights. (One mother plus two children staying one night would constitute three bed nights, for instance). Women can stay for up to 22 days but the average is 10 nights, and Whiting estimates 100 women and children have used WEH. As well, volunteers have provided 22,000 hours of service, including

Whiting and fellow staffer Ginny Heming, who also volunteer after hours.

"This community should be really proud of doing something that's unique, that doesn't rely on government funding," says Robertson. "I think the House has made a huge difference here, and if it closes, we'll still have made that difference. We just won't be able to do that any more."

Whiting can't imagine having to close WEH. "The children call it 'our house'. They believe they can stay here and feel safe... Kids don't have choices (of whether to stay in violent households.) In the shelter, most of our clients are children. They deserve that chance. Why should they have to relocate from this county?"

Volunteer Sue Shikaze says "one of the things I've found from volunteering is it's one thing to read about women and children who have experienced violence and it's another to sit down for a meal with a family who have had to leave for their safety. (I've learned about) the realities of abuse, but also the strength of people who have had to come here. We learn a lot from them about their ability to make difficult choices."

Closing WEH is a difficult choice the board hopes to avoid.

OPP forms new unit to target break-ins, thefts and drug offences

The Ontario Provincial Police is cracking down on criminals involved in area break-ins, thefts and drug offences.

A new investigative unit combining OPP personnel from several area detachments — including Coboconk/Minden — is targeting crimes in the counties of Haliburton, Victoria, Peterborough and Northumberland.

Since it went into action March 1, the unit has already been credited with solving 35 break-ins and recovering thousands of dollars in stolen property.

As a result 16 suspects have been arrested and police have laid 108 criminal charges. The charges include 71 break-and-enter offences, four charges of possession of stolen property, nine drug-related charges and 24 other criminal code offences.

Police say members of the crime unit target "known, active criminals" with information provided by the Crimestoppers program, the general public and patrol officers.

The team is made up of personnel from detachments in Coboconk/Minden, Campbellford, Cobourg, Kawartha, Lindsay and Central Region.

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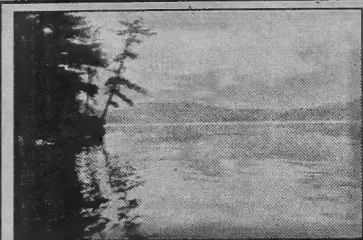
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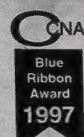
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Editorial

The fire season

EASTER IS SUPPOSED TO BE A TIME to spend with family while enjoying the rites of spring, but for those whose rites include having to cope with the tinder-dry leaves and brush, this past Easter weekend was not a restful time.

"A lot of Easter dinners were cold," says Anson, Hindon and Minden's deputy-fire chief Craig Crowe, who along with volunteer firefighters from Minden and Dysart, plus two crews from the Ministry of Natural Resources' fire base in Haliburton, spent much of Easter Sunday fighting a fire that threatened to get truly out of control south of Gelert.

When Dysart's fire chief Miles Maughan was about to sit down with his family for Saturday night's dinner, he had to excuse himself and join fellow volunteers at a different fire. By the time he got back, the dishes were done and most people were saying their goodbyes. "Let's say it doesn't help your family life," he says.

The stories illustrate two points: the dedication of local volunteer firefighters and the importance of following the rules when it comes to burning brush in your backyard.

All the fires over the Easter weekend were caused by someone's backyard fire getting out of control at a time when people are not allowed to be burning anything anyway. With the spring flooding, perhaps people thought the ground was too moist to have a fire hazard, but the winds picking up sparks and smouldering debris soon showed them otherwise. Although the ground is relatively wet, the surface is still extremely dry and it's very easy for flames to spread quickly.

These conditions occur every spring, yet every spring the fire departments are kept busy because people have such short memories. Because of the costs involved, both the MNR and municipalities are going to be much more vigilant in laying charges and issuing fines. On Monday, Dysart council agreed to fine people \$300 an hour if its firefighters are called out to a bush fire caused by landowners. That costly reminder of the rules should persuade more people to make sure they know what the rules are before they light the match.

Meanwhile, a big thank you should go out to all the firefighters who spent part of their Easter away from their families. Without their dedication, many of those fires would have got even further out of control, damaging houses and perhaps putting lives at risk.

Spring traditions

When the snow melts and the sun begins to shine a little bit brighter, many of the Highlands' older residents come out of their winter hibernation to take a stroll along the main street or boardwalk. They sit on park benches watching the world go by, willing to share an opinion or two -- especially if the conversation is about weather or politics -- with any interested passerby.

The longer you live here, the more you get to recognize those bench sitters and enjoy this chance to chat. It's one of the nice parts of small town life. But it's one of the hardest parts of small town life when some of those old friends are no longer there.

Last week's passing of Mac Trudeau diminishes the some of the brightness of that spring sun. He was such a main street fixture, with his raspy voice and twinkling smile. He -- and the bench sitters in other villages -- was a reminder of the days gone by, when people weren't rushing so much and there seemed to be more time to pass the time of day. Life in many ways was a lot harder back then, but it was also simpler and the values of neighbourliness ran deep.

You can't stop or slow the progress of age, but you can mourn its toll.

Of course, as one generation melds into the next, there will be new people taking their place on the park bench, also eager to talk or just say hello, because just as there is always spring, there is always renewal and growth, a time of looking forward to the hope that a glorious new season brings.

M.P.



Spring along the Boughner Road

by Len Pizze

Letters to the Editor

Lands for Life process disappointing

The following letter was first sent to Bob Gray, Chairman, Lands for Life

Dear Mr. Gray:

While attending the first round of presentations at Wigamog Inn in December 1997, I listened to presentations on how valuable the Crown land is to the public and industry alike. For the most part, the different user groups expressed the view that they could work together.

As a result, I was very interested in what the round table would propose re: time sharing the lands to the best interest of all users. I am still waiting for that outcome. It appears that the round table has not addressed this concern. The map scenarios seem to progress to single use scenarios.

In attending the local forums through the winter, I have become very disappointed in the process. In February, we were presented with the four scenarios. It seems to me that these maps were generated by using the gap analysis to different degrees of severity. Instead of multi-use or time sharing our resource, we were presented with exclusive use for some areas.

Also, I haven't figured out why a representative of the Partnership For Public Lands was allowed to present their own scenario and to travel with the road show to culture support for "scareo" four. To add fuel to the fire, the partnership logo appeared alongside the Lands for Life logo. It is bad enough to suspect the two are sleeping together but to see the initials on the pillow case is unbelievable. A round table member answered the question by saying that any member of the public could have presented their own scenario. I am not aware of

any publication or announcement inviting the public or any specific user groups to produce their own scenario map for public scrutiny. I am sure if this had been done, the forestry groups would have jumped at the opportunity.

One of the mandates to the round table was to provide more hunting and fishing opportunities. I haven't been able to find any scenario that shows me where these expanded opportunities will come from.

Also, there was no information provided to the public as to the cost to implement scenario two through four. The cost of maintaining these added parks or conservation areas and the loss of revenue from the limited use of Crown land should be presented so the public can make a more educated decision. No one can answer the specific questions pertaining to their own area if they do not know the economic impact these scenarios will have in their own immediate area.

Finally, was the questionnaire designed to confuse the public? It would take a considerable amount of time to become familiar with the gap analysis, let

alone answer questions on the effects of it on me or my family. To be honest, there are more "gaps" in the analysis than appears on the surface. The time frame allotted the public to educate themselves regarding the information produced from the round table sittings is far too short. The average working citizen is not financially able to travel with the round table as the funded representatives of the Partnership for Public Lands are able to do.

Personally, I think a better questionnaire should be presented with the price tag beside each scenario, the price tags being the economic and social impacts on the local communities. Also, an explanation with each scenario stating the additional opportunities for hunting and fishing that each specific scenario offers would be helpful in determining which scenario they would prefer. Then the passive public would be able to answer what effect each scenario would have on their family and their future offspring.

Larry Hewitt
Haliburton

Volunteers make kids' hockey goals come through

To the Editor:

We would like to thank all of the hard working people who organized and ran the 1997-1998 Haliburton Junior House League Team.

For some parents, it's almost

impossible to be on a travelling hockey team; however, their children still have the desire to play.

Our gratitude goes out to them for all of the early Sunday morning practices and

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A spring with changes for Monica

MONICA AWOKE TO the sound of birds chattering in the trees behind the house. Since the nights were now milder, she had been able to convince John to let her keep the bedroom window open a crack. He insisted the bedroom door stay closed however, even though he knew she hated feeling closed in. Childish, was what he called her. Or worse. Now, with a hint of cool fresh air on her face, she took a deep breath and steeled herself for the day.

John had started back to work and as the week wore on, he had become increasingly irritable. And when John was irritable, he'd just as soon bite your head off than look at you. Over the years, Monica had learned to stay out of his way as much as possible when he was like this. The kids had learned fast. She told them he had not yet got back into the swing of working every day; that was why he was being nasty. But she knew it wasn't the job. It was John, the way he had always been. The children knew too, but said nothing. There was no point.

Today being Friday, Monica wished she could skip the day altogether and go straight into Saturday. Friday was payday, so John would come home wanting to unwind with a couple of buddies and his best pal, Johnny Walker. There'd be little sleep tonight. When he came in after partying, he was usually in a foul mood. One time he got Monica and the kids all out of bed, lined them up in the kitchen and started yelling about some lost tools. Next thing she knew, her head was through a piece of drywall and the kids were screaming.

She told the doctor she had fallen down the stairs. There was no point.

With Easter in two days, Monica wanted to get to town to buy the kids a chocolate bunny and a few candy eggs. She had managed to save ten dollars since Christmas for just that. The hard part would be getting John to let her drive his truck in for the purchase. Even though she had her license, he rarely let her drive the truck. They shopped when he was willing to drive her. After the way he had been this week, she didn't want to risk him deciding he didn't need to go to the store on Saturday just to buy Easter junk, as he called it. So Monica had made a plan.

She had taken bacon out of the freezer the night before and fried it up really crisp, the way John liked it. Then she scrambled some eggs and sliced two thick pieces of the homemade bread she had made yesterday. When he came into the kitchen, the food was waiting for him. She also made a point of telling him she had made his sandwiches with the same bread, extra thick and smothered with mayo, his favourite. John didn't say much and she took this as a good sign. He was not usually a morning person which was why the children stayed out of the kitchen until he left, if they could.

When his ride pulled up into the driveway, Monica handed him his lunch and asked about the truck, trying to sound casual. John stopped in his tracks and glared. With no further warning, a torrent of foul names and wild accusations poured from his mouth. When she tried to point out that it was not for her but the kids, that seemed to make him madder.

He tore open the kitchen door and strode out into the yard, heading for his truck. Without even glancing at his ride waiting in the driveway, he jerked up the truck hood and pulled a short piece of wire from the engine. Waving it like a prize in her face, he told her she'd be going nowhere unless he said so. Ever. With a final curse, he was into the other vehicle and out the drive, leaving her standing in her slippers, unmindful of the mud halfway up her ankles.

Maybe it was the humiliation of yet another scene in front of a neighbour. Maybe it was one too many times being called every terrible name she hated to even think, let alone hear. Maybe it was the three small faces watching silently, almost invisibly from the window, their eyes big and wet with fear. But whatever else "it" was, it was the final straw.

Like the clear light of a bright new day, Monica knew that she was looking at the rest of her life if she didn't make a change. No matter how hard she tried, how carefully she planned, there was no point. John wasn't going to change. The only one she could change was herself. So she walked into the house and pulled a slip of paper out of the bottom of her winter boots and called the phone number written on it. Other than the ten dollars, she had no money and no truck. But the phone number was enough to get her started.



DOWN OUR ROAD

Sharon Lynch



Pic of the Past

IN LIGHT OF THE FLOODS that swept through Haliburton County last week, Dallyn Pickins thought this photo would be appropriate. This is Nancy Pollard sitting on the tracks in a flooded Gooderham on Easter Sunday, 1928. The school and hotel are in the background.

Getting ready for new millenium

Individual Canadians are already planning their celebrations for December 31, 1999 and through the year 2000. Our millennium will resemble our Centennial in the sense that there will be activities to engage Canadians both nationally and hopefully in every community but without all the big bricks and mortar projects of 1967. This is a time of great significance in the history, not just of Canada, but of a world dramatically changed since 1967.

People everywhere want a better world for their children and are focusing on the new century, indeed the new millennium, as an opportunity to achieve goals that fulfill that wish.

We found that the year 2000 is being anticipated with hope and optimism and that many communities like Bobcaygeon, the first community in Canada to have a millennium organization, are well advanced in preparations. I had the opportunity to attend the millennium launch at the Museum of Civilization in Hull and meet with Gail Thomassen who is heading Bobcaygeon's millennium efforts. This organization is doing a wonderful job and I commend them for their efforts. The Bobcaygeon group had a booth set up and was mentioned in the Prime Minister's speech. This village is preparing for one heck of a party. If you

have any ideas or would like to help the Bobcaygeon 2000 efforts, please contact Gail at (705) 738-1721 or (705) 738-4422. She may also be reached on e-mail at gthomass@peterboro.net.

We also found that while celebrations are being planned, most Canadians see 2000 as a time to achieve new goals, both personal and collective; to do things that will make a difference in their lives and the lives of their communities. There is also wide agreement that government pro-



MP'S
OTTAWA REPORT

John O'Reilly

jects for the millennium should have a lasting and positive impact and be of special benefit for young people.

After all, the new millennium will belong to our children and grandchildren. I know that many of us will resolve to do more to help them appreciate Canadian achievements and realize their dreams. So, we decided on a simple theme for the Government of Canada's millennium activities: Sharing the Memory, Shaping the Dream.

The Government of Canada will provide leadership and help facilitate in the planning and

encouragement of millennium activities that communities everywhere will launch themselves. We'll have some (but not lavish) funding to help a number of national millennium projects and to assist others, locally and regionally, around the country. About \$50 million a year for the next three years, which is less than \$2 per person per year.

Our approach then is to initiate and to seek private and other public sector partnerships for major national programs that fit our key themes and to use smaller grants to help encourage voluntary partners in local projects. To further inspire a true millennium spirit in our communities, we will look for working partnerships with national and local non-governmental organizations.

Then there is our millennium Web site. We intend this to be the dominant source of millennium information for Canada and for Internet visitors from around the world. This will be Canada's millennium Web site, a completely open national database and discussion forum for millennium activities at any level, with links to major international sites. If your community or group wants its activity on the site, there's a simple on-line form to complete. You will be quickly listed and totally accessible. The web site is located at <http://www.millennium.gc.ca/>

Hockey helpers deserve thanks

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games. Special thanks go out to Coach Blair Cooper for his involvement, dads and helpers on the ice, Rod Sisson, Hugh Nichol, Scott Dolbie, Dave Sherwood and Andy Paul. Also the support and dollars from UAP, Pizza Den and Marion Markowski from Rachel's Bakery for his talented design of the cake.

Thank you to all the parents who lent their extra helmets, sticks, etc. when other parents forgot, and also to Bob McNaull, and Debra and Roger Dart for organizing the Glen Dart Tournament.

We and the children had a great time...

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by Charlie Telford

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Haliburton needs skateboard park for kids

To the Editor:

In my letter to the editor last summer, I commented how impressive the new Haliburton village signs were and the idea of installing a giant new Canadian flag close by would be a topic of conversation for both the local residents and visitors alike. Well, as usual, I guess the armchair critics shot that idea down also.

So, if that's not politically important, how about something for our kids here in the village and surrounding area? A skateboard and roller blade ramp which could be used "at your own risk" site instead of using the main street or some other paved area which is bumpy and uneven and not even good enough for bicycle or tricycle riding. The idea is sound and feasible, opposed to having glass bottles smashed all over the park and playground facilities wrecked or damaged by young people full of boredom and fed up with nothing to do. Our neighbours 15 miles south of us have the right idea, why not here at home.

I'm a lot older than our local kids but I wouldn't mind trying roller blading in the good weather seasons instead of sitting in front of the TV every night or squatting down on the grass watching the water on Head Lake. The whoopee-doo idea of sitting home every night after work or school, talking about how things went that day or how they should have, or begging someone to drive you a few miles out of town so you can visit a friend or schoolmate where you can talk your own language or discuss things that are

important to your age alone sure doesn't sound like living to me, more like existing.

Kids have to be with kids their own age, not brothers and sisters, mom or dad all the time. I would be happy to donate half a dozen saleable items for a flea market or

garage sale toward building a skateboard and roller blade ramp and I would even volunteer to sell tickets for a TV or free meal at one of our local eateries to help. If I owned 500 sq. ft. of land here in the village, I would gladly donate it for this purpose.

Meetings, surveys, studies, reports are just a waste of money and time opposed to getting out and "doing it" because with a bit of backbone, a ramp could be built in about two weeks, just in time for spring and summer weekends when tourists come

north looking for something to do. We could even have small inter-county tournaments which would create revenue. I'm certain on the kids side. Any takers?

Paul Charron
Haliburton

Women's shelter faces closure without help

To the Editor:

We are writing on behalf of SIRCH's volunteer Board of Directors in an effort to clear up some confusion regarding the expenditures to keep the Women's Emergency House operational.

SIRCH is soliciting pledges from the citizens of Haliburton County in order that we may keep the doors of the WEH open. We need to raise a further \$75,000 by the end of April in order to continue to offer this service.

As with any service, there is a business operation which must be satisfied in order for us to remain available. Rent, compensation for the professionally trained staff, the availability 24 hours every day and all the other costs that are a part of running any organization are met by donations. We are a non-profit organization. One hundred per cent of the donations we receive go back into the work we do. Our ability to continue to serve women and children in need is directly proportionate to the financial support we receive.

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We urgently need your donation, or your commitment to donate money later this year, by

April 27.

For those who would like to know about the services provided by Women's Emergency House, or if you wish to have a more detailed breakdown of expenditures regarding the house, please call the SIRCH

office and someone will be happy to answer your questions.

**Jane Heyes, Lynne Tate,
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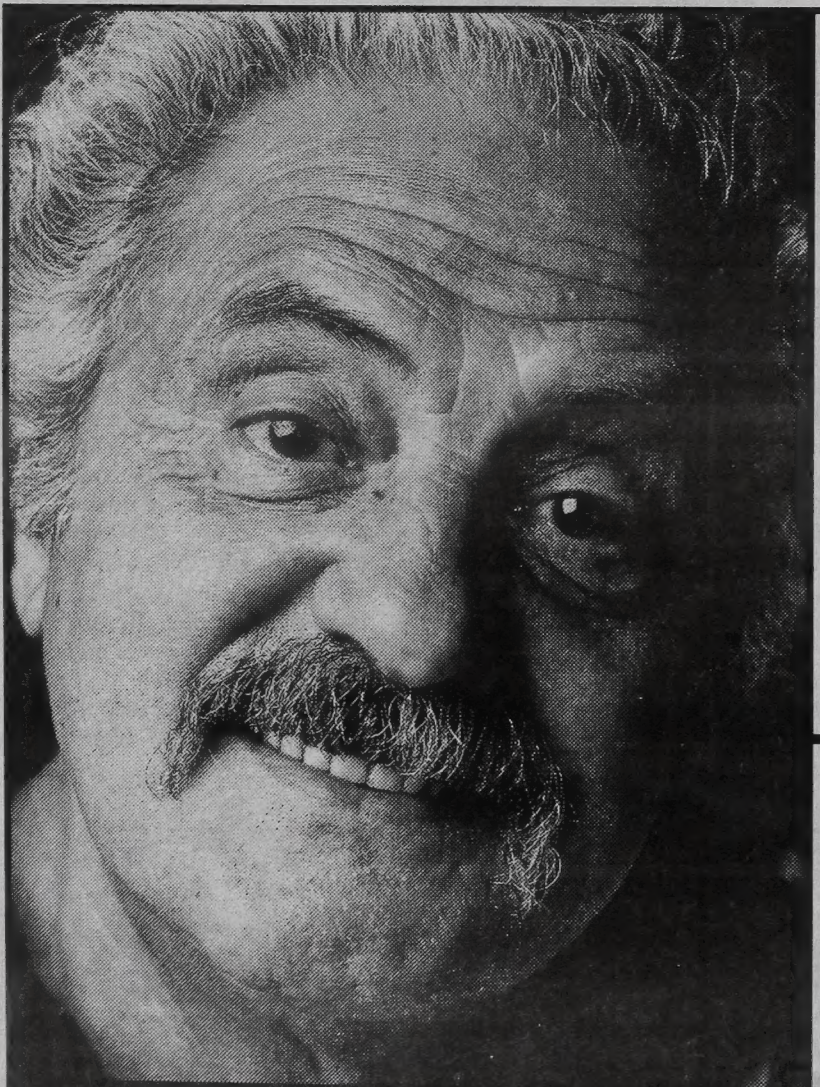
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HE SHOOTS ... A Haliburton player for the Highland Glass team takes a shot on the Cedar Valley team's net, Saturday, during hockey action at the Coby Islanders Tournament.



THEY SCORE ... Highland Glass beat Cedar Valley 5-2 Saturday at Haliburton arena. Dozens of teams took part in the weekend's Coby Islanders Tournament, which was held at arenas in both Minden and Haliburton.

HHSS badminton players advance to Kawartha championship

by COURTNEY WILSON

On Wednesday, April 8, the junior Haliburton Highlands Secondary School badminton team travelled to Trinity

College to play in the Kawartha qualifying tournament.

Including Haliburton, there were 14 teams competing. In order to advance to Kawartha, the players had to receive at

least a fourth place standing. Of the 18 competitors on the team, 11 will be going to next week's tournament on April 15.

Qualifiers from HHSS are: Abbey Pearsell, third in girls

singles; Courtney Wilson and Britney Hewitt, first; and Jenn Wales and Katrina Matysek, second in girls doubles; Danny Koz and Gary Kernohan, first in boys' doubles; Brock

Ladurantaye and Sheena Barry, second; and Bobby Hebert and Stephanie Sternberg, third in mixed doubles.

Good luck on April 15!

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Ministry raises a stink over dump

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at Stanhope council's meeting on Wednesday.

The Ministry of Environment and Energy has begun raising a stink over one of Stanhope's dumps, and it could end up costing the municipality a lot of money to clear the air.

An official from the Ministry's Peterborough office visited the Maple Lake landfill last summer when it was closed. He found the remains of garbage that had been burned earlier still smoldering and left unsupervised by the landfill attendant.

He also noted there was some waste on what he believed to be land owned by an adjacent property owner.

The municipality contends the garbage was dragged onto the land by bears. It also feels the land may actually belong to the municipality. Council intends to have a surveyor determine where Stanhope's property ends.

The Ministry official acknowledged in a letter that his inspection was short and not intended as the basis for a report examining whether the municipality was complying with conditions for its certificate of approval to operate the landfill.

However, he went on to use

the visit for just that purpose. The municipality recently received a compliance inspection report from the Ministry, calling on it to carry out many expensive studies and have a consultant develop a closure plan for the site for the day when its lifespan runs out.

Among other things, the Ministry wants the municipality to monitor ground and surface water in the landfill site.

"We don't know if Stanhope's name was pulled out of a hat this year and it was our turn to get blistered ... but if we have to do everything he's asking for, we can't afford it," said Reeve Eleanor Harrison.

She estimated it could cost the municipality \$200,000 or more to provide all the information the Ministry is requesting.

Council is hoping the Ministry will be satisfied with an operating plan it previously had developed to ensure the municipality was in compliance with regulations for running the dump.

Re-assessment?

Rumours that all properties in Stanhope will have to be re-assessed are unfounded, says the Ministry of Finance's regional assessment office in

Peterborough.

Word has been spreading through the municipality that all property owners would have to have their homes and cottages assessed again in preparation for the new Actual Value Assessment system.

But that is "absolutely not" the case, said an official from the Ministry's Peterborough regional assessment office.

WEH donation

Councillors turned down a request from SIRCH for a donation to help ensure Women's Emergency House in Haliburton remains open.

The financially troubled shelter for women is set to close down at the end of the month unless it can raise commitments of \$100,000 to cover its operating costs for one year.

Reeve Harrison told councillors that county council was approached recently with the same funding request.

The county turned the request down, deciding that funding for the shelter should not come from taxpayers through municipal budgets, but from individuals who choose to support it, she said.

However, Deputy-reeve

Murray Daniels disagreed with the county's stand.

"I feel that all Haliburton County is benefiting from this ... I think county council should say (to Women's Emergency House) how much do you need to operate in '98 and then prorate it to the municipalities," he said.

Harrison said county councillors were "nervous" about the number of other groups it could also be asked to help fund, should their grants from the provincial and federal governments dry up.

While Stanhope decided against making an individual donation, council has offered SIRCH the use of its community centre or Club 35 free of charge, if it wants to hold a fundraiser for the shelter.

Budget delay

It could be at least three more months before council is able to put together a budget for the current year.

The municipality typically approves a budget in early spring. But because it is still waiting for all the financial details of the province's plan to download various services to municipalities, the budget has

been put on hold.

"This is a sad predicament for the county and the municipalities to be in, but until all the figures come in we can't do anything," said Harrison.

Bain said he hopes council will be able to finalize a budget by July 1, but it could take longer.

Clean-up Day

Residents, businesses and community groups are being called on to take a few hours to help clean up the municipality this summer.

At the recommendation of the waste management committee, council has declared Saturday, August 15 "Stanhope Clean Up Day."

Councillor Tom Gardner said it's hoped people will take that morning to make sure their own properties are clean or to help pick up garbage in other parts of the municipality.

Heritage

Dave Bulford has been appointed to the municipality's Heritage Discovery and Museum Committee.

Councillor Jim Hicks said Bulford would be a "valuable addition" because of his keen interest in history and genealogy.

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High Triple	Ken Thompson	687
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WOMEN		
High Average	Spira Nitsos	206
High Single	Spira Nitsos	258
High Single	Spira Nitsos	274
High Triple	Spira Nitsos	698
High Triple HC	Spira Nitsos	746

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MEN		
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High Single	George Hamilton	242
High Single HC	George Hamilton	280
High Triple	Ben Dentinger	648
High Triple HC	Ben Dentinger	729

WOMEN		
High Average	Marie Thompson	194
High Single	Betty Henderson	245
High Single	Betty Henderson	292
High Triple	Betty Henderson	642
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MEN		
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High Single HC	Bob Weleb	270
High Triple	Bruce Cummings	698
High Triple HC	Bruce Martin	736

WOMEN		
High Average	Spira Nitsos	202
High Single	Kathy Dawson-Foster	228
High Single	Kathy Dawson-Foster	260
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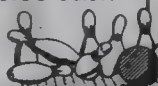
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Stanhope airport manager resigns

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The manager of Stanhope's airport has told the municipality he'll have to resign at the end of the month.

Dennis Lafleur, who had been running the airport for less than two years, also operated a pilot-training school and charter service from the site.

But when his only plane was grounded by financial difficulties and hail damage, Lafleur warned the municipality it may no longer be economically feasible for him to stay on as airport manager.

Lafleur actually submitted his letter of resignation in mid-February, but council kept it on hold, hoping to work out an

arrangement that would allow him to stay on at the airport.

However, by last week it "unfortunately" became clear there was no suitable deal, said Stanhope clerk-administrator Gerald Bain.

Council accepted Lafleur's resignation at a meeting on Wednesday.

"We're accepting this with regret," said Stanhope reeve Eleanor Harrison. "He's done an excellent job for us. He's going to be a hard man to replace."

Lafleur, who normally attends council meetings, was unable to get to last week's meeting.

Bain said the municipality is interviewing candidates to replace Lafleur and plans on naming a new manager by May 1.

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Cyr said the Ministry is uncomfortable with the fully loaded choppers taking off and approaching for landings over the lake, given the wind conditions that are often present.

"It's a safety concern, and they don't have as many options as at the heli-port" at Stanhope airport, he said.

At the Haliburton fire base there's only room for two helicopters to land, while at Stanhope there's plenty of room for several helicopters.

The MNR has used Stanhope Airport in the past and found it a good location. Last summer — a very busy one for fighting forest fires — the airport served as the main air base in the Ministry's fire fighting efforts.

Cyr said the MNR would continue to operate its Haliburton fire base and would use its heli-pad for choppers that aren't involved in the initial attack on fires.

The MNR would likely base three helicopters at the airport during the height of the forest fire season, he said.

Stanhope council, which wants to see the airport busy,

is eager make a deal fly with the Ministry.

"It sounds like a good idea," said Reeve Eleanor Harrison. "I like to see the airport used ... Any activity there is good because it creates more awareness."

The MNR wants to have a deal in place "as soon as possible" to be prepared for the forest fire season, which has gotten off to an early start.

"If the conditions continue the way they are now, we're looking at a very busy season," he said.

Ministry crews have already been called into action fighting a number of fires in the area that were caused by people.

While the ground is still thawing out in many places, what's on the surface is very dry and quick to ignite.

"We're already into early spring hazard conditions," said Cyr.

The MNR has had to put out fires near Peterborough, Pembroke, Parry Sound and in Algonquin Park.

Cyr was concerned there would be more fires over the Easter weekend as people burned brush at their homes and cottages.

Local talent is sought for revue

by JESSICA SCHEFFEE
 Student Reporter

Woodland Cafe at Chateau Woodland will be rockin' every Friday night this summer with live comedy and music revues.

Tour de Force presents LIVE!! And In Your Face, featuring Deborah Neve and Leslie English as the in-house comedy act and the producers of the program.

"We hope to have it as a very upbeat show," says Neve.

LIVE!! And In Your Face will have a regular in-house band to back up the comedy acts and the other various musicians doing performances this summer.

"We'll have a lot of regular talent interspersed with

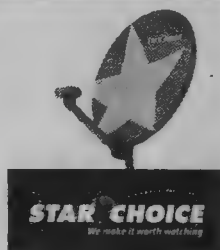
various other talents," says Neve, who's hoping other local talent will come forward.

The objectives for the show, Neve explained, are to offer local performing artists the opportunity to showcase their talent in a spectacular venue, to promote live entertainment within the Highlands and to promote Haliburton, its idiosyncrasies and its wealth of talent to a larger audience.

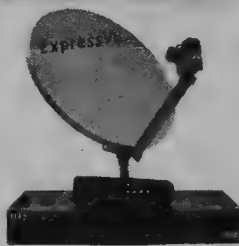
Neve and English are using vaudeville and Saturday Night Live as inspirational tools to base their program on.

After working together doing acts for the Gravenhurst Opera House, English and Neve wanted to do something a little closer to home, so last December, they started working on their idea for LIVE!! And In Your

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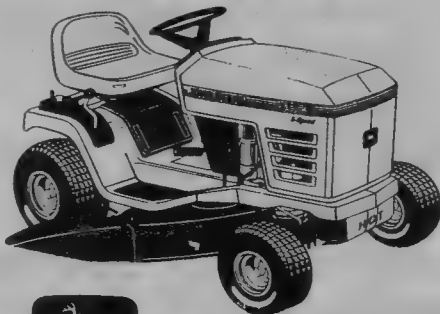
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Minden ready to paint the town

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at Thursday's meeting of Anson, Hindon and Minden council.

When Larry Hodgson and Claudio Mestroni look at Minden's downtown they see the blank exterior walls of buildings as big, blank canvasses.

They visualize local artists transforming them into huge artworks that will reflect the area's history and help spur economic development.

Now they want council to get the picture.

Hodgson and Mestroni belong to a newly formed committee, combining members of Minden's County Town Museum and the Agnes Jamieson Gallery.

The committee wants council to support a project that would see several large murals go up on main street buildings, beginning this summer.

"We want to establish murals in the downtown of Minden to revitalize visual interest in town and try to spark business interest in the village," Hodgson told councillors.

Other towns and cities that have carried out similar projects have reaped huge rewards, he said.

One town in British Columbia received 250,000 visitors in the first year that its murals began to go up, said Hodgson. Now 500,000 people visit the town annually and 40 new businesses have opened to accommodate the increase in tourist traffic.

Hodgson said the committee has set a \$13,000 budget to get the first two paintings it commissions up this summer.

The Haliburton County Development Corporation has already given the committee \$2,500 in funding. Two local businesses — The Times and the Minden Drug Store — have made commitments of \$2,500 each in support of the project.

The committee will approach other businesses in the community for the remainder of the funding needed.

He and Mestroni didn't ask council for any financial assistance but wanted its support as a partner in the venture.

Deputy-reeve Jerry Rome, sitting in for Reeve Jeanne Anthon, said council is interested in the project, but needs more details on bylaws and guidelines other municipalities have set in place to control the murals.

"In the truest sense this is community economic development at its finest," said Hodgson. "Instead of bringing huge factories to Haliburton County ... this is a way of bringing economic development to Haliburton County by promoting what we've already got."

WEH donation

Councillors agreed to write a letter to riding MPP Chris Hodgson urging the province to consider giving funding to financially troubled Women's Emergency House.

Wendy Ladurantaye, a volunteer at the women's shelter, told councillors the facility will have to close down at the end of the month unless it can raise commitments of \$100,000 to cover its operating costs for one year.

Council said it would consider SIRCH's request for a donation when it begins to put together a budget.



MAPLEFEST FUN:

Siblings Julian, Laura and David Henze, above, enjoyed their MapleFest visit to Wintergreen Maple Syrup in Gelert by blowing bubbles after the egg hunt, while Eric Thompson stokes the fire in his evaporator outside Haliburton.

Maple syrup production down 60 percent

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It will cost more to manufacture the syrup this year and it will cost the customers a little more, but the Tylers are hopeful that their organic farming and forestry will tide them over. They have also bees to make honey this year.

Bill and Anne Beatty are going through the same thing with their maple syrup.

"It's awful," Bill Beatty agreed. "It's about 30 or 40 per cent of last year's, and last year was terrible."

Beatty said that since he and his wife are retired, this won't hurt their lifestyle, but the added income the syrup brings will be missed.

"We had an order for Germany; we don't know what we're going to do about that."

They usually supply the local fruit market, but this year will only be able to provide a third of the usual quantity.

The Beatties also only have a two per cent sugar content. They are in the process of boiling the sap down to see if the syrup will be any good.

They recommended phoning Don Atkinson, owner of Atkinson Maple Syrup Supplies in Barrie, to get a sense of whether the Highlands' problems were unique this year.

Atkinson says that Central and Eastern Ontario have fared the worst as far as maple syrup pro-

duction this year.

"Generally speaking, the farther west you go, the better the crops are," he said.

Atkinson says that if anyone in the province tapped as early as February, they did well. Anyone that went according to the traditional tapping dates, haven't had as much success. Maple farmers in western Ontario were on it early and rejoiced in tapping 100 per cent of the sap.

Central Ontario salvaged anywhere from 40 to 70 per cent of the sap flow.

"When all the tapping is done and accounted for, the production will probably drop by 35 per cent all over Ontario," said Atkinson.

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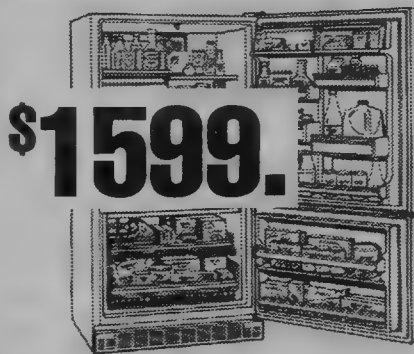


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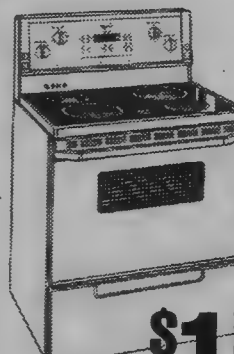
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During a trip to a diamond mine in Africa to visit their father, siblings Jesika and Eugene De Carlo got to hold a "rock" most people could only dream of.

"I was just 'Wow, can I keep it?'" laughs Jesika, describing what it's like to grasp a six-carat diamond. A week after they left, the mine in Guinea unearthed a 44-carat diamond.

A six-carat holiday

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

THE SPARKLE OFF a typical one-quarter-carat diamond ring has been known to have almost mystical powers of persuasion when it comes to marriage proposals.

So just imagine what it was like for Eugene and Jesika De Carlo to be able to hold a six-carat diamond.

"I was just 'Wow! Can I keep it,'" laughs 16-year-old Jesika. More seriously, knowing how few people in the world ever get to be so close to one of nature's most precious gifts, she adds "I felt privileged to hold it."

The twinkle in 14-year-old Eugene's eyes didn't come from the diamond itself. Instead, his thrill was being among the first people to see the diamond in the rough millions of years after it was created deep in the earth's crust. It's an experience he'll never be able to recapture by

walking into a jewellery store, no matter how big a diamond he's ever able to afford.

"It's incredible," he admits.

So how did two teenaged siblings from Wilberforce get to be holding a diamond worth tens of thousands of dollars? They have their father to thank for that.

Michael De Carlo is a mining engineer who started to work for a company called Tri-Valance last December. His first assignment was to fly to Conakry, Guinea, on the west coast of Africa, to re-open the defunct diamond mine which had, in its heyday, produced a stunning 102.4 carat diamond. After three months of flying back and forth to get the mine ready, he wanted his two children to be present for the open house two weeks ago. (Unfortunately, Eugene and Jesika's mother, Suzanne De Carlo, wasn't able to get a plane ticket so she couldn't join them.)

There was all the pomp and circumstance one would expect

whenever diamonds are involved. The De Carlo siblings got to rub shoulders (almost) with the Canadian ambassador and the Canadian and Guinean ministers of mining. And of course, there was a tour of the mine itself.

Diamonds began their life on earth as crystalline carbon. Carbon is the most naturally occurring mineral, but when crystalline carbon is subjected to intensely high pressure and temperatures, a diamond is born. Since diamonds spend most of their life buried under rock, they're not easy to find, but prospectors know what things to look for as indicators that diamonds are waiting to be revealed.

As Eugene describes the situation in Guinea, thousands of years ago chunks of diamonds fell into a river. Eventually, the river silted over, burying the diamonds again in the old river bed. A mining company digs the earth out, and brings it to a plant

where it undergoes a series of sortings, including a blast of water that "can knock you into next week."

Eventually, the rocks end up in a room with a Sortex, a large x-ray. Sensors pick up the diamonds' radiation and with a big blast of air, the surrounding rock is removed and the diamond exposed.

"It goes into a large box with a lock on it," Eugene says. "There's tight security because the diamonds are so valuable. They go through the pile of rocks to find the diamonds. It's incredible."

The entire trip was incredible for both Eugene and Jesika.

"It was during the dry season and everything was green. To describe all the colours to get a true picture isn't possible," he says. Yet amidst that beauty there is also extreme poverty. "There are always beggars, especially at the airport. You want to give them money but if you do,

everyone will come to you."

"It makes you appreciate living in Canada," says Jesika.

And despite all the complaints about Canadian winters, the dry season in Africa has its downsides, too. "In Mali (which they had to fly to from Paris before making a connecting flight to Conakry), it was 45°. When you get off the plane you feel like you're being squashed," Eugene says. "We always had to drink water."

Both of them know how lucky they were to be able to see Africa for themselves, and not just the Africa of National Geographic documentaries.

"It's not something everyone gets to do in life," says Eugene, "so I think it was a great experience for my sister and I."

By the way, a few days after the siblings flew home to Wilberforce, the miners found a 44-carat diamond worth at least half a million dollars. Now that's a diamond.

WHERE IT'S ART:

*Six sculptural landmarks
will welcome people to the
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How many Highlanders does it take to build a sculpture? As many as want to participate, if the enthusiasm already expressed by county residents and organizations is any measure.

If you want to find out for yourself, attend one of two planning meetings sponsored by the Haliburton County Development Corporation's Visual Arts Committee.

The committee is turning into reality its vision of building six sculptural landmarks celebrating the county's artistic heritage, and Haliburton and Minden have been selected as the first of six municipal sites to be established throughout the county.

Artist John Leonard will be present at both meetings to help the groups decide what their sculptures will look like and

both meetings will be held on Saturday, April 25. In Haliburton, go to Sir Sandford Fleming College from 10:00 a.m. until noon; in Minden, the Agnes Jamieson Gallery from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. All ages are welcome and no experience is necessary.

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Group resurrects Trails and Tours

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

The Trails and Tours strategy is back on track.

One main committee and several sub-committees have been formed to resurrect the plan that was devised in 1995 after months of consultation.

With Don Gage of Willow Beach Cottages as the chairperson, and Barrie Martin of the Frost Centre and Wendy Ladurantaye of Dreams Come True Stained Glass as co-vice-chairpersons, the committee has already developed a set of goals which will lead to enhanced tourism opportunities in the Highlands.

The Haliburton County Development Corporation is also on board to provide administrative back-up.

But of course, as with any committee, new members are always welcome.

When the strategy was first initiated as a project of county council, people were asked to think

beyond the physical trails which linked places in the Highlands together the rail corridor from Kinmount to Haliburton, nordic ski trails, Stanhope's walking trails. A trail could be a drive from one historical site to another; tours could be from artisan to another in the Studio Tour, or an informal sampling of all the best beaches.

By highlighting and promoting both types of trails and tours, the Highlands would be able to attract more people to join along.

However, the original report also called for spending money on these strategies, and when no money was immediately forthcoming, the plan was put on that infamous shelf.

Now the report has been taken off the shelf and dusted off to be used as the foundation for the new committee's activities. Much work is to be done, which is why several sub-committees have been formed.

At the same time, Rob Heming is working on a federal initiative to have coast to coast trails. Human Resources and Development Canada has given Sir Sandford Fleming College a contract to develop a multi-use recreational corridor in the four counties of Haliburton, Northumberland, Victoria



BACK ON TRACK: Graham Borgdorff, paddling his canoe through a split in the ice on Head Lake last Tuesday, is one of the members of a new committee resurrecting the Trails and Tours plan.

and Peterborough. Haliburton County is already ahead of the game, thanks not only to the Trails and Tours network, but also because the county bought the abandoned rail corridor instead of selling it off to neighbouring landowners.

And advisory group is being formed within each county to help make recommendations on marketing and promotional issues, says Rob Heming, who is working on the project.

"What would you like to see in Haliburton County," he asked at a recent Trails and Tours meeting. "We can put the wheels on what you want to do."

One of the most important things to do is respect existing trail users, said Peter Overington of the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association and Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs. The HCSA has invested a lot of money and volunteer labour in its trail system, and there needs to be some recognition of the costs of ongoing maintenance, as well as usage.

Meanwhile, if people would like to be involved with either the local or federal initiative, they're asked to phone Andy Campbell at the Haliburton County Development Corporation, 457-3555.

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EXTENDICARE EASTER TEA:

Employees at the Bank of Montreal made corsages and boutiniers for residents at Extendicare in Haliburton last week and presented them at an Easter Tea on Thursday. In the photo above, Barb Wood and Hanne Brooks pin corsages on Irene Horne and Mary Halut. Pearl Tice and Jean Davies, also in the photo, received their corsages earlier. At right, the bank's Cheryl Pearson presents prizes to Lorraine Roberts who guessed closest to the amount of jelly beans in a jar.



Hanging up the phone is best defence against scam artists

Would someone from a law firm that is acting as a major sweepstakes call to say you've won a huge amount of money ... and can claim it as soon as you pay the taxes and legal fees? Would the police phone you looking for help to catch a thief ... with your money? What about the inspectors at your bank? Are you sure they need you to withdraw funds to help them bait a crooked employee? And those major investors from Nigeria ... will you really make a fortune by letting them "deposit" funds in your bank account?

If a telephone promoter promises to make you wealthy or give you a fabulous prize, or says they need your financial help to catch a criminal, take a tip from Ontario's Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations. Check the story carefully before you act -- the caller may be a scam artist hoping you'll lay them a golden egg.

There are so many telemarketing scam artists hatching plots to take money from consumers that a special police task force called "Project Phonebusters" was created to deal with the problem. Phonebusters, a joint project of the OPP, RCMP, the Ministry of Consumer and commercial Relations and several other law enforcement bodies, has now been in operation for three years.

Staff Sergeant Barry Elliott, a member of the project team says: "These scam artists are sophisticated, and can come up with just about any story you can imagine -- and some you probably can't -- to take money away from consumers. But there's one sure defence against their phoney promotions ... Don't give out a credit card number, don't give out your address, and don't worry about being rude. Hang up."

Further, Elliott asks anyone who thinks they may have been a victim of a tele-

phone scam to call Project Phonebusters, at toll free: 1-888-495-8501.

Consumers who have been victims of any type of scam are also asked to call the ministry, which may take action in a variety of cases, including contract disputes involving loan brokers, collection agencies and fitness clubs. Contact the ministry's General Inquiry Unit at (416) 326-8555 in the Toronto area or at toll-free 1-800-268-1142 from other parts of the province.

Telephone scam targets residents in Bancroft area

Bancroft area residents have again been receiving calls from a Montreal-based firm advising they have been chosen to receive a certified cheque in the amount of \$50,000. The recipient of the call is then requested to send a certified cheque in the amount of \$1,000 to the firm by Priority Post. There is also reference made to the \$1,000 donation being routed to help the children.

Ontario Provincial Police advise you to be careful in your dealings with such companies. Keep in mind, prizes are not usually purchased. If the offer sounds too good to be true, it probably is! If you are contacted by anyone or any company and you have any questions about the authenticity of the offer, contact the local OPP detachment.

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Dinner to raise money to help Kinmount restoration projects

by JESSICA SCHEFFEE
Student Reporter

The fourth Annual Dinner Auction at the Galway Hall will hopefully raise much needed money for the historical site in Kinmount.

On Saturday, April 25, the doors to Galway Hall at 5:30 p.m. for an evening live auction with Lindsay Actioneer, Orval McLean. A roast beef dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m.

Among the items to be auctioned are a helicopter ride over Niagara Falls, tickets to the Shaw Festival, Stratsford Festival, National Ballet, The Mousetrap in Toronto and performances at the Markham Theatre. There will also be get-away packages to Toronto, Niagara-on-the-lake and Niagara Falls.

Dinners at Birch Point Lodge and Oldham Inn, plus accommodations at Minden House Bed and Breakfast.

These are just a few of the goodies being auctioned. There are countless contributions from local artists, artisans and services from local businesses and neighbouring towns.

All proceeds from this event will be going to the Heritage Parkland Project for the expenses of town enhancement and ultimately, the restoration of the Sawmill.

"That's the major goal," said Diane Austin, chairperson for the Kinmount Committee for Planning and Economic Development.

Tickets are \$20 each. For reservations and tickets call (705) 488-2635 or 488-2750 or 488-2687.

Many enjoy Maple Fest breakfast

WILBERFORCE

News

Hilda Clark

Maple syrup poured generously over butter topped pancakes! Lots of tasty sausages! Call it breakfast or brunch. That's what many people did at the Maple Syrup Festival here in Wilberforce on Easter Saturday.

The Recreation Committee, with an extra grill this year, did a good job of getting the hungry patrons satisfied without much waiting.

The Easter bunny was a welcome guest who hopped happily about giving away chocolate eggs to young and old, visitors and workers.

Smiles were seen on many faces just at the sight of this generous visitor. A nice addition to Maple Fest.

June Williams called to tell us that the United Church

women, together with the Monmouth Seniors' Club, are presenting a wonderful fashion show on Tuesday, April 21. It will take place at 1:30 at the Lloyd Watson Centre, right after the Senior's Weekly Lunch. For information call June at 448-3717.

A special open house on Monday April 20 will celebrate Volunteer Week and officially reopen the newly renovated lounge at the Lloyd Watson Centre.

The Renovation Committee has put in many hours to

refresh this popular section of our much used community hall.

They would like to honour all people who volunteered in any way by having them come out for refreshments and some entertainment. Our favourite men's choir, The Gentlemen of Song will be there. See you there. The fun starts at 7 p.m.

Students of the week were Nicole Manary in the Gr 5/6 class, Brendan Watson in the 3/4 classroom, Sonny Simmons in Gr 2, Jarrett Donaldson in Gr 1 and Kristian Guyton in Kindergarten.

The children from Kindergarten, Grades 1 and 2 will be enjoying a Jim Parker concert at the Academy Theatre in Lindsay on Tuesday, April 21.

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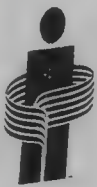
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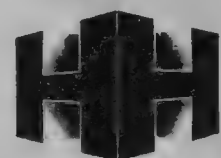
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A MID-WEEK NIGHT'S REHEARSAL: Members of the Drama Club at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School rehearse scenes from Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" last week at the high school. The club will present its performance of the romantic fantasy at the school beginning this weekend.

High school drama club brings magic of Shakespeare to stage this week

Imagine! The magic of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" on a Haliburton stage, performed by an all-student cast.

The high school drama club has been hard at work since the fall, sacrificing lunch hours, evenings and some weekends, rising to the challenge of making Shakespeare's language come alive in this most captivating of the Bard's romantic fantasies.

Under the capable direction of Wayne Cooper and voice coaching of Nona-Lyn Philp, the students are keen to perform.

It's hoped the public will reward their efforts by attending one or more of the performances. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. on April 17, 18, 24 and 25. There is also a matinee performance scheduled for Sunday, April 19 at 2:00 p.m.

Come on out and help the high school drama club make history!

"A Midsummer Night's Dream" runs April 17, 18, 19, 24 and 25.



Families cheer on young Husky hockey players during season finalé

Brian Claridge was guest speaker at the Baptist men's breakfast on Saturday, April 4. Twenty men met for the ample breakfast and heard Brian speak of his work with "Youth With a Mission", the most recent being street mission in New Orleans.

Young hockey players are making a name for themselves in OMHA Novice A, namely Bev and Kevin Sisson's son Adam and Devon Hunter. Adam Sisson was named most valuable player in the game at Maple Leaf Gardens on April 5. Devon Hunter was MVP for the whole tournament. Congratulations!

Grandparents Ann Mawby and Erma Sisson were there as

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Eleanor Cooper
754-2388

well to cheer on their star and his team as Adam got two assists and two goals.

On April 5 in the evening, "The Darkness and The Light" was performed at the Guilford Baptist Church. At St. George's on the same evening, "Written in Red" was performed by Bill Gliddon's choir at St. George's.

I will be away from April 19 - May 3 so save Guilford news for me till May 3 or 4. Someone will answer at 754-2388 if you phone in an item

during this time.

Members of the Haliburton Highlands Rug Hooking Group entered into the Members Show at Rails' End Gallery. Carole Bullen received this year's Guild Award for Best New Artist in textiles for her piece "Flower Bower". Carole also won a scholarship to Sir Sandford Fleming College for one of the 1998 courses offered by the School of Fine Arts at the Haliburton campus.

The Rug Hooking Group's next meeting at the Guilford Centre is Monday, April 20, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. and would love to have anyone interested in learning about traditional rug hooking drop in for a visit.

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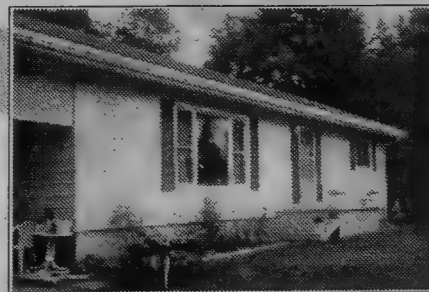
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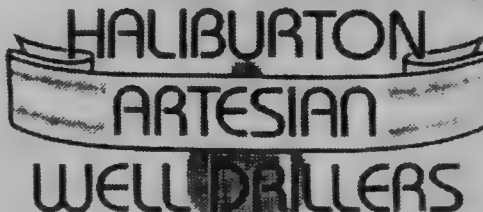
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Country Canines remind seniors of the joys of having a pet

Hello everyone. Here we are again, ready to bring you up to date on our news.

On Friday April 3, we enjoyed a visit with our "country canines." These wonderful shelties are beautiful dogs and so well behaved. A lot of us miss having pets around, so it is enjoyable to spend a little time with animals. That afternoon, Gord Kidd entertained us at Happy Hour. Thank you Gord for your lovely music.

John Menzies joined us on Saturday. We always look forward to his music. This time John was accompanied by his fiancée, Barbara Fryer. Our congratulations to you both on your upcoming marriage.

On Sunday, a full bus traveled to the Minden Arena to attend the Figure Skating Carnival. What a delightful performance and it was a treat to see Donald Jackson there.

The Salvation Army paid us a visit on Monday afternoon with Jean McChintock on piano. Our craft group was busy the next day doing the finishing touches to our Easter decorations. Nora Groves, who has been a faithful worker in the craft group, is not well. We were sorry to hear this. Nora, get well soon, our thoughts are with you.

Wednesday, a group of us boarded the bus and headed for the village restaurant here in town for our lunch. We thoroughly enjoyed the food there. Our hostess was very gracious and we had good service. We were able to choose what we wanted from the menu. Most of us chose fajitas, even though we had never had them before. Quite an experience, and a nice one. Some of us threw our diets aside and dug into home made pie. All in all, a good lunch. Thank you to all who made this possible.

We hear Bob and Dottie Muirhead are back and we look forward to having them join us on our trips in the coming months.

Wednesday was topped off with the grandfathers here in the evening. This time Bill Payne had his granddaughter, Natasha, with him. A lovely girl.

We extend a welcome to the group of home support workers who are participating in a training session here as part of the upgrading course they are taking.

Our tea party was hosted by the Minden Orange Lodge; our thanks to them.

The ladies auxiliary has informed us that the tuck shop cart will be available to

us twice a week for the summer months. This is appreciated. As you must know by now, we enjoy our treats. By the way, we mentioned last week about the gourmet basket the ladies auxil-

iary will be raffling off. Any donations of gourmet food to fill this basket will be appreciated. Donations can be dropped off here at our home.

Our birthday wishes go to Rick Edwards who celebrates April 14 and Vera Stevens, April 15. And Robbie we hear your recent tests went well. Way to go Robbie!

As we write this we are preparing for Easter. Peggy Packer is going home for a few days time to spend with family during this holiday. Also Muriel Harrison has plans to spend some time at the farm. Ron Russell is there, visiting for a week, and Muriel's son will be joining them also. We're sure that there will be others going home for Easter, but we don't have the details at the time of writing. We expect our home to become busy over Easter, with visitors coming and going.

Before we sign off we want to let Winnie Barnum know we are thinking of her. Her grandson was injured recently and we know she is concerned.

Also, we extend our sympathy to Dr. Bennet Wu and family regarding the loss of his father, King Tak Wu. Our thoughts go out to you.

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Three vacancies will soon exist on the Board of Directors of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation.

The HHHS has a board mandate to oversee and develop an integrated health service. It is currently directing the expansion and renovations of facilities in the villages of Haliburton and Minden.

Volunteers interested in the health services of our area should forward a letter with C.V.

by April 30, 1998 to

Foster Loucks, Executive Director
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(or fax 705-286-4819)

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SHERBORNE, McCLINTOCK, LIVINGSTONE, LAWRENCE AND NIGHTINGALE

PUBLIC NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Sherborne, McClintock, Livingstone, Lawrence and Nightingale proposes to enact a By-Law to stop up, close and sell that part of Lots 11 and 12, Concession 10 and that part of the original shore road allowance in front thereof set out and described as follows:

Township of Sherborne, County of Haliburton, being:

Firstly: Part of Lot 11, Concession 10, Township of Sherborne, shown as road allowance on CL-313, designated as Part 3 on Plan 19R-6367;

Secondly: Part of Lot 12, Concession 10, Township of Sherborne, shown as road allowance on CL-314, designated as Part 4 on Plan 19R-6367;

Thirdly: Part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 11, Concession 10, Township of Sherborne, designated as Parts 5 and 6 on Plan 19R-6367; and

Fourthly: Part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 12, Concession 10, Township of Sherborne, designated as Parts 7 and 8 on Plan 19R-6367.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Council Chambers, Municipal Building, Main Street, Dorset, Ontario, on the 11th day of May, 1998, at the hour of 9:00 o'clock a.m. and at that time the Council will hear any person or by his Counsel, Solicitor or Agent any person who claims that his land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

DATED: April 8, 1998

Diane J. Griffin
Clerk-Treasurer,

Corporation of the Township of Sherborne,
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This original shore road allowance is located in front of Lots 11 and 12, Concession 10, Township of Sherborne, along the shore of Kawagama Lake and upon being closed and stopped up will be sold to owners of land abutting.
Parts 3 and 5 - Bartman; Parts 4 and 7 - Cantelon; and Parts 6 and 8 - Crown.

KEEP HIM HEALTHY:

When a dog is as cute as Jake Woodman, you want to make sure he stays healthy. In spring, that means taking preventative measures against heartworm.



Heartworm is nothin' but a heartache!

by DR. JOAN E. GRANT, DVM

ALTHOUGH SPRING has barely sprung and it's still too early to pull out the black fly and mosquito repellents, it is time to start thinking about heartworm prevention for your dog. Why? Because heartworm disease has been slowly but surely establishing itself in parts of Ontario, Quebec and elsewhere.

There have been confirmed cases in and around Haliburton County, some dogs never having left the area. Dogs travelling to Florida, southwestern Ontario and other endemic regions are at much greater risk of being infected, especially if they are not on preventive medicine. These same dogs, upon returning to our area, if infected, then act as a reservoir for other dogs, as well as wolves, coyotes and foxes.

Heartworm disease is caused by a parasite that is spread by the mosquito as it sucks blood from an infected dog (or canine relative), then later goes and bites another dog, thereby injecting "baby heartworm" larvae into them. Gradually, over the next six months or so, these baby larvae travel to the dog's heart and mature into adult worms. Heartworm has also been diagnosed in cats, ferrets and even humans! Fortunately, this only occurs in highly endemic areas and so far has not become a major problem in Canada.

Amazingly enough, because of this parasite's long life cycle, a dog seldom shows clinical signs during the first

year after infection, so just because your dog appears perfectly healthy, this does not mean that it is not already infected with heartworm.

Imagine having these long, spaghetti-like worms living inside YOUR heart! As you might guess, most infected dogs eventually will show signs of heart and lung disease.

Like rabies, heartworm is a preventable disease. However, instead of vaccinating dogs to protect them (as we do against rabies), heartworm is controlled by a simple blood test, followed usually by once-a-month tablets starting June 1 and ending November 1 (unless your dog is heading south to Florida for the winter, where preventative medication may be given year round).

Some clients have asked me "Why not wait and just treat my dog if it gets infected with heartworm, instead of giving it medicine to prevent it?". Unfortunately, heartworm treatment is not as simple as giving a dog medicine for treating other types of parasites. It is not only very expensive to treat dogs infected with heartworm but the medication is potentially dangerous and some dogs may die from it! It's so easy to prevent and so hard to treat. Like the old saying goes, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure".

Most dogs should be blood tested in April or May and started on monthly preventive tablets June 1. However, there are some exceptions. So, if you want to protect your dog against this mosquito-transmitted parasite, please contact your veterinarian for further information.

Walking club a good way to get ready for bathing suit season

Happy Birthday wishes to Eva Prince, Marg Schwab, Jordana Scheutze, Julie Whit and Todd Brooks.

The Dorset Brush Club meets at the Rec Centre each Friday from 10 - 12 noon.

Enjoy walking in the beautiful spring weather with the Dorset Walking Club. Walking each Monday morning for an hour. Call 766-9968 for location.

Would you like to learn how to make Sushi or a Bonsai? Let the rec centre know what you would like to learn and they will do their best to arrange a workshop. Call 766-9968.

Earth week is celebrated from April 10-24. During this week we try to be as environmentally friendly. Improve the situation wherever possible.

We would like to congratulate Jessica White who competed in the Lions club special Olympics held in Parry Sound on March 28th. Her speech on the Olympics was well received.

We send get well wishes to all of our friends who are, or have been, in the hospital. And for those who are

under the weather at home, hope they will soon be feeling well.

The festive season of Easter is over and what a wonderful week end it was. Families and friends gathered together to celebrate and enjoy a feast of turkey or ham and each other's company. The churches were full to overflowing as people soon need their faith rejuvenated at this time even if they don't attend church during the year.

Knox United Church entertained the congregation of St. Mary Magdalene's at a traditional supper on Maundy Thursday, with all the original foods and customs presented and explained. It was a very inspiring and impressive replica of the Passover. It was followed with a pot luck supper and a church service at St. Mary Magdalene's.

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Place: Legion Hall, Mountain Street, Haliburton

Welcome spring! Numerous items will be highlighted - woodworking, ceramics, jewellery, crafts, toys, books, antiques, new and used clothing. There will be homemade baking, preserves, candy and herbs. Come out (rain, snow or shine) and support this event and the groups involved. Proceeds to community projects. For further information, phone (705) 457-1467.

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HALIBURTON CHRISTIAN OUTREACH

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Evangelist John Edwards
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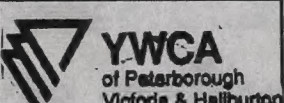
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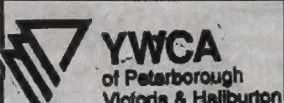
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BORDEN, DAISY - At Seabright, Ontario on Monday evening, April 6, 1998 in her 73rd year. Beloved sister of Ruth Chiki (Welland), Jean Parks (Brantford), Jacqueline McLaughlin (Brantford), Joan Lyons (Matapedia, Quebec), Ralph (Ottawa) and Earl (Comox, B.C.). Fondly remembered by nieces and nephews. Predeceased by her parents Grant and Edith Borden, sisters Joyce Dickie (Brantford), Delia LeSage (Three Rivers, Que.), and brother Eric (Bathurst, New Brunswick). At Daisy's request, there will be no visitation or funeral service. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to COBOCONK COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Cobocok, Ontario. CA

HUNTER, ROBERT "SCOTTIE" (resident of Donald, Ontario) - At home on Tuesday evening, April 7, 1998 in his 76th year. Beloved husband of the late Jean Balfour. Loving father of Carol (Mrs. Ben Lawlor) of Haliburton, Campbell and his wife Janet of Kingston and Gordon of Vancouver. Fondly remembered by six grandchildren. Dear brother of

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William, Martha (Gilmore) and Matthew. A graveside service will be held at a later date in Brampton, Ontario. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Haliburton, Ontario. CA

MARSHALL, WILLIAM - At Lakeview Manor, Beaverton on Wednesday, April 8, 1998 in his 91st year. Beloved husband of Gertrude "Gertie" Davies-Williamson and the late Annie Brear. Loving father of William Jr. of Woodville and stepfather of Elizabeth (Holwyn) Peters of Orillia and Edward (Gayle) Davies of Woodville. Fondly remembered by his many grandchildren. Predeceased by his two sisters Janet and Marion. Friends called at the Woodville Community Presbyterian Church, King St., Woodville, Ontario on Friday, April 10. Funeral service was held on Saturday, April 11. Interment later Royston Cemetery, Burk's Falls, Ontario. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Woodville Community Presbyterian Church or Lakeview Manor, Beaverton would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to COBOCONK COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Cobocok, Ontario. CA

O'NEIL, NANCY IRENE - Passed away at Peterborough Civic Hospital on Tuesday, April 7, 1998 at the age of 78 after a brief illness. Beloved wife of the late Bill O'Neil. Loving mother of Bill and Emillie O'Neil, Bowmanville; Jack and Eleanor O'Neil, Picton; Ron and Connie O'Neil, Hastings; Ann and Don Meharie, Harcourt; and Colin and Penney O'Neil, Woodlawn. Daughter of William McCormick and Ethel Badgley, sister of Mary Coghill, British Columbia; Charles McCormick, Bancroft; and predeceased by Hazel, Bill, Mabel and David. Fondly remembered by 17 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren. Nancy owned and operated the Ridgeview Restaurant in Harcourt for 17 years. Funeral service was held at BARAGAR FUNERAL HOME, Bancroft, Ontario on Friday, April 10. Interment South Wilberforce Cemetery. CA

AT REST

Passed away at his home in Cobocok on Sunday, April 12, 1998 in his 52nd year

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Loving husband of Debbie. Dear father of Robin (Scott) and Dan. Dear brother of Bud (Margaret), John (Helen), Jane (Bruce), Boyd (Barbara), Hugh (Denise), Kirk (Sue), Brant (Sandra), and predeceased by Richard. Dear brother-in-law of Janis and uncle of 31 nieces and nephews, predeceased by his nephew Carl. Dear son of the late Katie and Howard Magee. Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, 127 Main St., Minden from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday. Then to the Pioneer Baptist Church, Norland for funeral service on Wednesday, April 15 at 2 p.m. Interment to follow at the Pine Grove Cemetery, Norland. Memorial donations to the Cobocok Medical Centre or to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family. CA

TRUDEAU, MAC (resident of Haliburton, Ontario) - At Haliburton Hospital on Monday evening, April 6, 1998 in his 89th year. Beloved husband of Viola Scott. Loving father of Maxine Trudeau of Belleville, Sheron (Mrs. Lewis Cowen) of Lindsay, Jeanette (Mrs. Wolfgang Richter) of Red Deer, AB. Fondly remembered by his nine grand-

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children and nine great grandchildren. Mac was the last surviving member of his family. Friends called at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Hwy. #118, Haliburton on Thursday. Funeral service was held in the Chapel on Friday morning, April 10. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHS Foundation) would be appreciated by the family. CA

709 IN MEMORIAM

FRANCIS, DON - In loving memory of a dear son, brother and uncle who passed away April 16, 1996:

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS

In the matter of the Estate of MERREIT STANLEY MCNEIL, deceased. All creditors and others having claims against the Estate of Merreit Stanley McNeil, late of the Township of Minden, in the County of Haliburton, who died on or about the 13th day of February 1998 are required to file the particulars of such claims with the undersigned solicitors for the said Estate on or before the 30th of April 1998 AND take notice that after the last day named, the assets of the said Estate will be distributed among the persons hereto entitled, having regard only to the claims of which the Executrix for the Estate being MARY ISABELLA MCNEIL

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712 CARDS OF THANKS

I believe that if Jill and I live to be 120 years old, we will never be able to thank or repay the kindness and generosity of the people of Haliburton County, as well as Toronto and all points in between. I truly believe it has been the most humbling experience that anyone could possibly go through. Jill, our daughters and I have travelled over all of North America as well as most of Central America and have never felt the sincere kindness that has been shown to us here in our own home town. It sure is a big boost to your outlook on humanity. A special thanks to Max and Verna Sisson who, once again, came to our aid, as well as my mother, who helped us out financially and with her prayers. We sometimes felt over the past few years that we were living under a black cloud and then to watch our home burn down in front of us, we felt completely defeated. They say that God moves in mysterious ways and this has proven true to our family, with the many blessings we have received out of this loss. We have seen so much kindness from people we know, as well as perfect strangers. We would like to thank the firemen and ambulance attendants, as well as Dr. Stephenson and the nurses of Haliburton Hospital who treated us with so much compassion the night of the fire. Once again, I would like to thank each and every person who has come to our aid in one way or another through our fire crisis. We will never forget that night, not just because of the fire but for all the generosity and kindness shown towards our family. Some of you knew old Sampson, our cat. I'm sorry to say that he paid the ultimate price. Although, knowing Sam, he may just wander back into our yard, just like the day he came to us. Thank you all, we're forever grateful. Haven, Jill and Ashley Cook, Amber and Brock Mackie.

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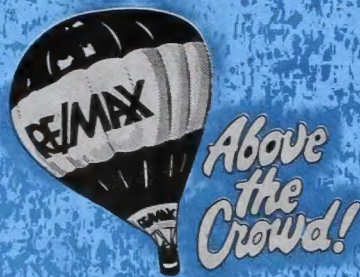
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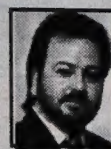
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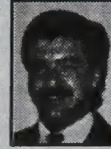
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